

CHELMSFORD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Society will be on Tuesday 7th October at the Marconi College, Arbour Lane, Chelmsford, commencing at 7.30pm.

The first half of the evening will be devoted to the Annual General Meeting. Following the election of the new Committee for the 1975/76 session, there will be an open debate at which members are invited to express their views on the Society's activities - past, present and future. Suggestions for coming meetings are always welcome, and in addition, this year are appealing for ideas for fund raising activities.

After the interval for refreshment, the second half of the evening will be occupied by the customary 'Junk Sale'. Roy, G3PMX, will act as auctioneer and has asked me to appeal for 'quality junk' this year. There will be the usual 10% levy on items sold, unless of course, the receipt for the item is donated to the Society.

Committee Meeting

The next Committee meeting is proposed to be at the usual venue 'The Wheatsheaf', New Street, Chelmsford, at 7.30pm on Wednesday 15th October 1975. The final date will be up to the new Committee.

The Newsletter

Apologies to those of you who have not received the newsletter for the last three months, but due to the rapidly diminishing funds of the Society it was necessary to restrict distribution to paid-up members only. With this month's increase in postal charges it will be appropriate to discuss the costs of distribution at the A.G.M.

Like many other institutions the C.A.R.S. is having difficulty with inflation, our membership fee has remained at 25p ever since the Society was formed, mainly due to the generous donations we have been fortunate to receive in past years, but as you will learn from the Hon. Treasurer's report at the A.G.M. this money is now exhausted and we must budget accordingly.

To prepare you for the shock, it has been recommended in committee that the annual subscription be increased to £1.75 and £1.00 for juniors (under 18); from this income, we should just manage to meet our commitments in the coming year.

Membership Cards

A new style card has been prepared and will be available to members at the A.G.M., it contains the revised constitution, reference to our affiliation to the Radio Society of Great Britain and our limited insurance cover for members taking part in Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society activities. More about the card and its benefits at the meeting.

GB2CCS QSL Cards

700 cards have been endorsed by the operators of the Chelmsford station set up to commemorate the centenary of the birth of GUGLIELMO MARCONI on the 25th April 1974. Members of C.A.R.S. who contacted the station will receive their cards at the next meeting.

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D.F. Hunts

The National D.F. Final was well supported by the Chelmsford Society, which gave a very good account of itself. Members positions were as follows:-

Mike Hawkins, G3WMM,	3rd
Bill Pechey, G4CUE,	4th
Arthur Butcher, G3KPJ,	7th

The last local D.F. Hunt for this season will be on the 19th October 1975, which will start from Galleywood Common at 1400 hrs. Hopefully, the hidden station will be Willy, G3VPK.

Woburn Rally

Willy, G3VPK, has asked me to include a note of thanks to all who helped out on the 'Bring and Buy' stall at this event.

H.F. Field Day

Congratulations to the operators of G3KRZ/P, who attained 4th position in this year's event. The weather was good, but to date no complaints of sunburn by day or exposure by night. Band conditions were not particularly brilliant but some astute operating, in conjunction with a rhombic, improved our position over last year.

Rumour has it that it was because Les, G4CUT, had nothing to do with this event although he was in Chelmsford. So next year, drum up some funds to send him to the South of France and then the Society will win hands down. On a more serious note, the lads did very well, a vast improvement on last year's entry. Many thanks to all the helpers, without whom this event would not be possible.

Meeting Times

Some recent meetings have extended beyond our agreed finishing time of 10.00pm. In an effort to remedy the overtime, the Committee have recommended that future meetings will commence promptly at 7.30pm.

That's all for this month, please come along and air your views and ideas at the Meeting.

73, Les, G4CUT.

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Member's Ads.

Wanted Co-axial Relays, Keith, G3WSN, QTHR.

For Sale 70cm 32 el. Beam, -£5, Barry, G3WFF, QTHR.